



**San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
 Citizens' Advisory Committee
 Wastewater Subcommittee**

MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday, September 5, 2017
 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
 525 Golden Gate Ave, 3rd Floor, Tuolumne Conference Room**

Mission: The Wastewater Subcommittee shall review sewage and stormwater collection, treatment, and disposal system replacement, recycling, and other relevant plans, programs, and policies.

Members

Chair Amy Zock (D4)
 Anietie Ekanem (D10)

Wendolyn Aragon (D1)
 Misty McKinney (B-Enviro.
 Justice)

Amy Nagengast (D8)

M = Mayoral appointment, B = Board President Appointment

Staff Liaisons: Tracy Zhu, Alexandra Johnson

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. **Call to order and roll call:** The meeting was called to order at: 5:36 pm
 Members present at roll call: (3) Aragon, McKinney, Zock

 Members absent at roll call: (2) Ekanem, Nagengast

 Members of the public: Nicholas Dewar, Brigette LeBlanc, Steven Robinson, Leamon Abrams

 Staff Present: none
2. **Approval** of the [June 6, 2017](#) meeting minutes
 Motion was made (Aragon) and seconded (McKinney) to approve the [June 6, 2017](#) meeting minutes.

 The motion PASSED by the following vote:
 AYES: (3) Aragon, McKinney, Zock
 NOES: (0)
 Absent: (2) Ekanem, Nagengast

 Public comment: none
3. **Report from the Chair**
 The chair welcomed members, staff, and the public.

 Public comment: none
4. **Public Comment:** None
5. **Presentation and Discussion:** [Central Bayside System Improvement Project](#) (CBSIP) Manfred Wong

Edwin M. Lee
 Mayor

Anson Moran
 President

Ike Kwon
 Vice President

Ann Moller Caen
 Commissioner

Francesca Vietor
 Commissioner

Vince Courtney
 Commissioner

Harlan L. Kelly, Jr.
 General Manager



Manfred played a draft video of the Central Bayside System Improvement Project (CBSIP). The draft video is an overview of the following:

- CBSIP is a subproject of the Sewer System Improvement Program that renews the city's aging infrastructure.
- Improving the underground sewer tunnels will improve resilience to seismic events, protect the bay by reducing combined sewer discharges and increase operational flexibility to help meet goals to adapt to climate change effects such as rising sea levels.
- The proposed tunnel channel will be 24ft in diameter and 150ft underground which would reduce surface impacts such as construction, noise and traffic.
- The project is in the design phase and hopefully will get contracted to construction by the end of 2019, and finish in 2024.

Topics of Discussion:

- There was confusion in the video of where the current pump station is and if there would be renovations to that or a new station. The committee suggested illustrating the pumps more clearly or making them different colors to distinguish what is old, new or a proposed design.
- The committee expressed concern about the number of failures on the channel force main and how the leakage or damages can get into the bay and affect the environment.
- Manfred explained that there 3-4 ruptures that were fixable, and there is storage system that can contain the leakages for up to a day.
- The committee asked how the city's population growth will have an impact on the channel force main.
- Manfred explained that the wastewater flow in the bayside has decreased due to water conservation efforts and will not have a significant impact on construction.
- There is a variety of different components in the collection system strategy that the committee has to consider and prioritize which include CBSIP and Green Infrastructure.

Public comment: none

6. **Presentation, Discussion and Possible Action: Follow up on Joint CAC-SECF Commission meeting, Amy Zock, Wastewater CAC Chair**

Topics of Discussion:

- The committee discussed how they can follow up with the CityWorks interns' requests (i.e. scholarships, college internships and SFPUC employment) in the form of a resolution that is aligned with the agency's challenges of workforce succession.
 - Members Aragon and Zock will take the lead on drafting a resolution.
- The committee followed up on the idea of a Community Benefits (CB) briefing that will facilitate collaboration between the CB team, SECFC and CAC to evaluate CB programs and create performance metrics such as money spent per program.
 - Members McKinney and Ekanem will take the lead on the CB briefing.
- The committee expressed their interest in having more joint meetings with the SECFC and collaborating with the Rate Fairness Board to create more alignment and transparency within their bodies of work. Also to discuss the upcoming issue of increasing SFPUC service rates.

Public Comment:

- Leamon noted the joint meeting amplified the issue around governance and the lack of transparency. He stressed the importance of inclusivity and accountability in the SFPUC and CAC's work.

7. Staff report

- The collection system strategy (waste water collection, flooding, watershed keeping, storm planning) will be presented at the Commission meeting on September 26 then presented again at the next Wastewater CAC meeting.

Public Comment: none

8. Future Agenda Items and Resolutions

From the retreat, priority topics for the Wastewater CAC to track:

- Stormwater planning
- Southeast Community Facility and plant
- Neighborhood engagement
- Job opportunities for Bayview community

The committee expressed interest in:

- Green Resolution Update
- Environmental Justice Update from PUC staff
- Environmental Gentrification
- Jobs and business report

Public Comment:

- Leamon suggested tracking economic development and small business opportunities especially for local business in Bayview.

9. Announcements/Comments: The next regularly rescheduled meeting of the Wastewater Subcommittee will take place on October 3 or November 7.

- Member Aragon suggested the next meeting should take place at an environmental justice park: In Chan Kaajal Park.
- The Crocker Amazon ribbon cutting ceremony will tentatively take place on October 15.

10. Adjournment

Motion was made (McKinney) and seconded (Aragon) to adjourn the meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.